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## VIA ECF AND EMAIL

Honorable Stuart M. Bernstein United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of New York One Bowling Green New York, NY 10004-1408

Re: Sec. Investor Prot. Corp. v. Bernard L. Madoff Inv. Secs. LLC, No. 08-01789 (SMB); Picard v. Merkin, Adv. Pro. No. 09-01182 (SMB)

Dear Judge Bernstein:

We are counsel to Irving H. Picard, as trustee ("Trustee") for the substantively consolidated SIPA liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS") and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff, plaintiff in the above-referenced adversary proceeding.

In the Memorandum Decision Denying Trustee's Motion for Entry of Final Judgment Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(b) issued on December 4, 2014, your Honor requested the submission of two proposed orders. Enclosed herewith are the (i) Proposed Order Granting In Part and Denying In Part Defendants' Motions to Dismiss the Third Amended Complaint; and (ii) Proposed Order Denying Motion to Direct Entry of Final Judgment and Certify for Immediate Appeal.

The Trustee is available to the Court should it have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David J. Sheehan

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**Enclosures** 

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